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1. How does the Polish government rank the importance of the housing problem, as compared to other economic problems facing the nation? Identify the viewpoint of specific officials if possible.
2. How do Polish officials think the Polish people rank the housing problem, as compared to other problems of daily life that the people face?
3. What do Polish officials consider the major economic and social problems related to the housing problem? Do the officials relate the housing problem to any of the following: poor public health, low worker and peasant productivity, lack of labor mobility, family disorganization?
4. What are the official estimates for the 1957 average number of persons per dwelling room in all of Poland, in urban areas, in Warsaw, in rural areas? How is the term "dwelling room" defined?
5. The 3 February 1957 issue of ZYCIE GOSPODARSTWA estimates that for each (urban) room there is an index of 2 to 6 persons; therefore, the average individual has 7 to 9 square meters of living space.
Comment.
6. What are the conditions of deterioration necessary before the Poles condemn an urban building and retire it from use. About how many rooms are so condemned a year? (Urban and rural).
7. How much improvement (if any) will result during the Five Year Plan (1956-60) if the urban housing plan of 1,200,000 rooms is fulfilled.
8. About how many urban rooms a year during 1956-60 are needed to meet current requirements and prevent a further decline in the housing situation? How many rural rooms? Explain.
9. Is the 1956-60 program of housing repair adequate to arrest the widespread decay of the urban housing stock?
10. What percentage of the population in urban areas is seriously dissatisfied with its housing circumstances? Explain.

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